

Ottawa, Week by Week

(By H. L. SCHWARTZ)

Price of Peace

There is no doubt that the average man across this country does not fully realize that the little effects are felt in his own little circle from the so-called "peace" between the East and the West on the international scene, until these effects strike home in the form of taxes or governmental spending to help keep the peace, with the thing obvious now along Parliament Hill as a result of the Canadian government's disclosure what it will cost in the coming fiscal year to be defensively strong, and to play our full part in the North Atlantic security alliance.

The estimates tabled in the House of Commons show that the Canadian government and its allies mean business, when they tell the rest of the world that a strong combination has been created to defend itself and freedom from any attack. Indeed, these estimates for defence indicate that Canada is going to spend the largest amount ever spent by this country in peacetime, totalling no less than \$386,316,582 for the coming fiscal year starting April 1, 1949, compared with \$345,384,345 in the preceding year, a difference of \$236,930,537.

A breakdown of the total reveals the army, navy and air force costs are on the increase. The army's expenditures in this category move up from \$169,181,375 last fiscal year to \$147,707,321, the navy's costs rise from \$50,146,384 to \$82,180,856, the air force will spend \$169,247,577 this year compared with \$100,852,549 in preceding year. These higher costs for defence involve, in addition, a total of \$21,179,680 on defence research and developments, as against \$19,797,092 in previous fiscal year, up \$1,382,588.

Consequently, when the average man wonders in future why certain taxes are not coming down as anticipated, he can realize the full effects of defence costs, as revealed in Ottawa, now that preparations in this post-war period are going to be a costly business, and the "cold war" is something which is not merely concerned with matters of interest far beyond the average man or woman. International affairs are quite practical interests, even for the "little man," and, just as travel time is cut down amazingly, so this is similarly true of the effects of activities of other nations upon our own country. A check up of the costs of defence will convince anyone of the effects of international doings on domestic affairs today.

That Little Campaign

It appears more and more along Parliament Hill that a general election may be nearer at hand than would seem to be the case from official statements or suggestions, with this conclusion being reached by some observers here on account of the activities of the leaders of both major political parties.

Not only is the heat on in full blast in debates inside the House of Commons between Prime Minister St. Laurent and the Hon. George Drew, but their activities outside the House are strongly suggestive of an early appeal to the people. As a matter of fact, one veteran observer here has appropriately called the coming tour of Prime Minister St. Laurent in the West, where he will visit cities and make a number of speeches and, like a series of "election campaign" in miniature.

In addition, it is understood here that there will be a speeding up of nominating conventions after the Easter holidays.

Is This the Beginning?

The Canadian government's disclosure that sales of new mo-

tor vehicles during January, 1949, showed a decline of 16.3 p.c.t. in number of passenger cars, trucks and buses sold compared with January, 1948, together with a drop of 8.5 p.c.t. in retail values, has aroused much curiosity. In this the beginning of a break, they ask? While it is too soon to draw final conclusions from this decline, yet it is most interesting, especially in view of the large number of Canadians who have been waiting patiently for supply and demand to catch up somewhat, so that they could get a much needed car or truck. Car sales dropped 33.3 p.c.t. in number and 25.5 p.c.t. in value, whereas truck sales advanced 20.4 p.c.t. in number and 24.6 p.c.t. in retail value during January, as against the same month last year.

Sharp Decline

Canadian housewives in some areas are now finding it possible to stretch their dollars when buying food, since the prices of beef, butter, shortening and lard are lower, with the degree of the price cutting depending upon what has been described here as "local competition." Canned goods also are coming down in price, and this is attributed to surplus stocks, resulting from a limitation of exports.

Busy Year Ahead

Construction for the first two months of this year, valued at \$136 millions, was \$59 millions more than in the same period of 1948, with Marc Boyer, newly appointed Minister of Reconstruction, predicting here another busy year for the Canadian construction industry, judging from developments so far in 1949.

W.M.S. AUXILIARY

The regular monthly meeting of the W.M.S. Auxiliary was held in the Church hall on March 17th. Mrs. P. Thompson, the President, presided. The opening hymn was 436 and the topic "Prayer."

Mrs. Davidge had charge of the devotional, giving a Scripture reading, and an "Upper Room" devotional reading on prayer; and leading in prayer.

The minutes of the January meeting were read, and adopted as read. Mrs. S. Thompson reported the quilt was ready to be quilted for hospital supply. No date was arranged for the quilting. After the singing of hymn 482, Mrs. S. M. Thompson and Mrs. Geo. Lowe took up the review of the Study Book, "West of the Ganges," the chapter being "Literature for new Literature." This most recent study on China was listened to with great interest, as the events reported took place just as the bombing of 1939 began upon the Chinese by the Japanese. Mrs. Thompson read the ladies who prepared the chapter for us.

This Auxiliary held a meeting in the p.m. of March the 4th—"World Day of Prayer," which was attended by fifteen ladies. The form of service provided by the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada was used on this occasion, with several ladies taking part in the service.

The offering sent to the Treas. of this Council of Churches was \$8.54. This is to be used as an offering to the Women's Council for Education in various countries.

NEW F.U.A. LOCAL

A meeting was held Saturday, March 19th, in the Rest Room, for the purpose of forming a new local of the F.U.A. (Farmers Union of Alberta). Wm. Carter, who acted as chairman for the meeting, and M. Hewson, secretary.

Notable officers elected are as follows: President—L. D. Dutton; Vice—President—H. W. Sec-Treas.—E. Limpert; Press Correspondent—J. McCully.

Seven directors were also elected, namely—W. Carter, H. J. Hertz, Robt. Miles, F. Morrison, R. Hertz, L. Church, and Wm. Raff. Each director to canvass their own district for new members.

Fees were paid by over thirty members. Meetings to be held every Saturday in the month until further notice at 2:30 p.m. in the Delia Rest Room.—Cos.

WILL BUILD ROAD IN FOREST RESERVE

Extension of highway program this year will include the building of a road through the big forest reserve in southwestern Alberta, according to information received by officials of the Alberta Motor Association.

Plans for construction of more than 100 miles of highway have been made by the Dominion provincial conservation board for the eastern watershed of the Rockies. This board plans to spend more than \$1,000,000 this year.

The program will include an all-weather highway starting at Coleman

SHOWER FOR BRIDE-ELECT

On Saturday afternoon, March 12, at 4 p.m., a shower in honor of Miss Irene Battie, bride-elect, was held in the annex of Delia United Church, which was beautifully decorated in pink and white.

Mrs. T. McArthur was M.C. Mrs. Mac Sinclair had charge of the program, which included the following: "A Mother's Wedding in Wild West," by Mrs. Mac Sinclair, Miss Grace Wilson and Miss Mary Courtney. Song—"I Love You Truly," by Josie and Elsie Marshall. Reading—"Little Mary's Essay on Matrimony," by Mrs. T. McArthur. Solo—"Through the Years," by Mrs. A. Whitman.

A St. Patrick's Day quiz contest was won by Mrs. Robt. Morrison.

Mrs. John Sinclair made the presentation on behalf of friends and the hostesses, and Miss Battie gracefully replied. Mrs. Mac Sinclair assisted the bride-elect in preparing the many useful and lovely gifts.

Price Prices In U.K.

The price of national flour in the United Kingdom is \$5.06 per 280 pounds. The price of export flour is \$17.73 for 280 pounds.

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and ultimately reaching British Columbia is bound to be of value and enhance the prospects of the steadily developing tourist industry. While the provincial government's road program has not been dissimilar to that of the federal government, the five-year plan announced in 1946, it is not so much who controls what, so what controls who?

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The new Super-Size Interiors feature extra-wide "Floor-to-floor" give you plenty of headroom, elbow room, leg room, and more room for maximum driving ease. "Kicker and defroster units optional at extra cost."

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Completely effective heating and ventilating system supplies even warmth, keeps glass clear; Buckminster Skirt for ample leg room; standard "Ham-Greenish" with Synthetic-Mesh upholstery for maximum driving ease. "Kicker and defroster units optional at extra cost."

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WORLD HAPPENINGS

BRIEFLY TOLD

Two students charged with spying for the United States were hanged recently in Prague, Czechoslovakia.

President Truman's change of Grover McDonald to be the first United States ambassador to Iceland.

The foundation stone of India's first newspaper manufacturing factory will be laid at Chennai, India, by the Central Province Presses Board in S. India.

Personal expense trains will be fully motorized, the railway executive has announced.

Residents of Ohio who emigrated last year totaled 41,850, the immigration minister said. Of these 41,854 went to North America and 30,206 to Europe.

The U.S. navy announced it will open the rich fishing waters around the Hawaiian Islands to the Pacific to fishing companies of all nations.

Every day in 1946, the government estimated better than an average of 19 more charges against Canadians for offenses against the income tax laws of this country.

Extensive plans for the development of the airport at Bombay, India, are under way. The state has mentioned a five-year project, including provision for changing runways and larger hangars.

An appeal has been made to London, England, to send a ship to take themselves as human guinea pigs in an investigation to determine why people exhibit special characteristics. The pet hair and animal tails.

Pansy Favorites



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Bowie and Clarence McIntosh push dynamite into 140-foot hole. Shock waves from it are small in size above the ground itself. Gus Bowie, Edmonton, scans the countryside for him to give the signal to set off the dynamite. He is with one of 80 seismograph crews working all in Alberta—S.N.P. photo.

Seismograph Crews Chart Shape Of Underground Rock In Search For Oil

By using a seismograph, which is a device that measures the intensity of seismic waves, the crew can determine the shape of the underground rock formation. The dynamite hole is 140 feet deep, and the crew is pushing dynamite into it to create a shock wave that will travel through the rock and be picked up by the seismograph.

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Rare Breed Of German Dogs Owned By Saskatchewan Men

TOBACCO, Sask.—Most breeders of dogs could not be asked to trade or given away without the consent of their breeders.

German Dogs
In Germany the Weimaraner was worked out on big game such as wolves, wild boar and bear. The dogs are noted for their skill with upland game and waterfowl, and are said to be unmatched at soft-mouth retrieving.

Another Saskatchewan man, Frank Bush of Moose Jaw, recently bought a Weimaraner and was the first to have it registered with the Canadian Kennel Club. R. V. McCall of Moose, N.B., was a dog of similar breed.

Mr. Bush's pup is named Kima von Elmstetter, a name he conformed to his wife's name—Kima, his own Christian name, Matt, and the name of their farm.

The proud owners of Weimaraner dogs will tell you that the breed came into being shortly before 1810 and was developed by the nobles of the German court of Weimar, who desired a dog entirely different from existing breeds.

They wanted a dog who appeared to be quick, powerful and fast, and an all-round hunting dog of outstanding intelligence.

Instead of long handled, the dog was allowed to grow the hardy and his master's castle. All wealings were destroyed. The dogs were bred in Germany.

Mr. Bush's dog has purchased from a German a Weimaraner male named Kima von Elmstetter.

To own one of these dogs you must be an accepted member of the Weimaraner Club of America. It is necessary to have the purchase price of several hundred dollars.

KITCHEN MEDITATIONS NOSTALGIA

There's a beauty in the dawn on a frosty morn in winter. There's a beauty in the frost on the leaves. In the heart of the winter, and the tang of freshness coming down the breeze.

There's a beauty in the courage of those we know who battle. To earn a living through the frost and snow.

There's a beauty in the living as the frost melts in the morning, and the sun comes out. There's a beauty in the living as the frost melts in the morning, and the sun comes out.

The ancient Aztec grew tomatoes in their patches of Indian corn. The tomato is a native of Latin America.

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